

CEDAR CHEMICAL 1ST PRP MEETING

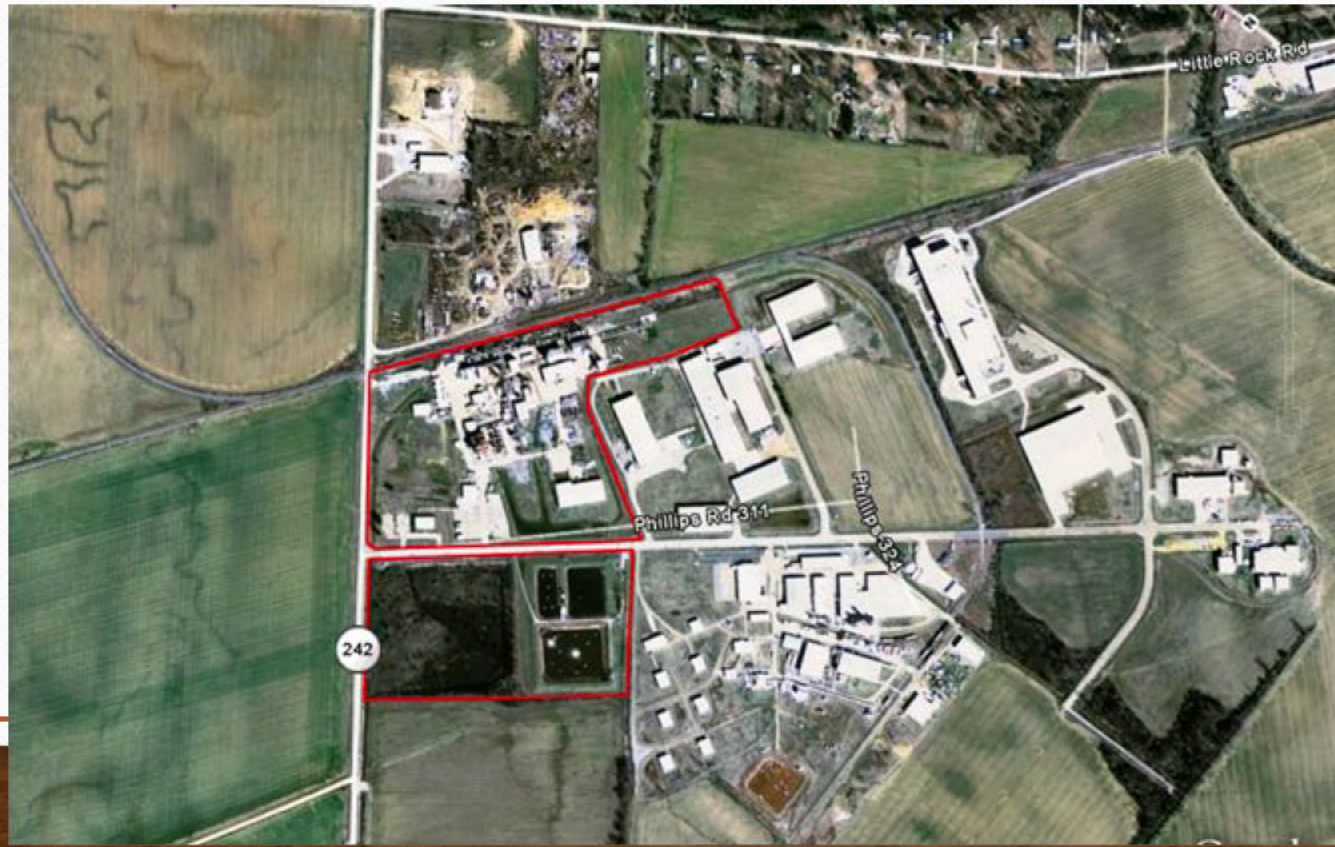
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Introduction

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Site Description

- Site is located in Phillips County, Arkansas, south of West Helena
- 48 acres along State Highway 242, 1 mile southwest of the intersection of U.S. Highway 49 and Highway 242



Site Operational History

- Facility initially operated by Helena Chemical in 1970.
- Operated by Ansul under the name of Eagle River Chemical. During this time period, dinoseb was produced on the site.
- From 1971 to 2002, facility manufactured or processed a variety of agricultural and organic chemicals under various owners and operators.
- Last owner of record was Cedar Chemical Corporation.
- On March 8, 2002, Cedar Chemical Corporation filed for bankruptcy
- Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ) assumed control of the facility on October 12, 2002, and currently acts as the caretaker of the facility

Site Operational History

- On March 22, 2007 ADEQ entered into a Consent Administrative Order (CAO) with Ansul Incorporated (formally known as Wormald US, Inc.), Helena Chemical Company and Exxon Mobil Chemical (a division of Exxon Mobil Corporation).
- Respondents developed a Feasibility Study Report (FS) proposing remedies for areas of concern AOCs. The FS was used to support the development of a Remedial Action Decision Document (RADD)
- RADD was finalized and signed on June 3, 2010.
- Presently, Quapaw LLC leases the Facility.
- A licensed wastewater operator is employed to direct storm water from the Facility into the wastewater treatment system and before it is discharged to the Mississippi River.

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NEGOTIATIONS

Special Notice Letters

- December 31, 2013
 - Bayer Corporation, Syngenta, Rhodia, Chevron, Rohm and Haas, ExxonMobil, Helena Chemical, Tyco International
- May 28, 2014
 - FMC, BASF, BP Corporation, BF Goodrich, Dupont
- Rohm & Haas declined to negotiate

NEGOTIATIONS (cont'd)

Initial PRP Meeting

- November 18, 2014, an initial AOC negotiation meeting was held at the Region 6 Office. All PRPs were represented at the meeting
- 3 PRPs made a *de minimis* claim
 - FMC, BF Goodrich, Rhodia

Next Steps

- Establish POC for a negotiations group
- Establish POC for a technical group
- Establish a timeline to complete negotiations and signed AOC.